

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Charles Inloes; dec'd.—
Read 3rd time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Rains a bill for the relief of the heirs of Thomas Blanton was taken up, read 1st time, rule suspended, read 2nd time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Rains, rule further suspended, bill read 3rd time and passed.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Caldwell Carson. Ordered to be engrossed.

A bill providing for the next election of Representatives to the Congress of the United States from the State of Texas.

Mr. Gentry moved that the bill be made the special order for Friday, the 6th inst. Carried.

Mr. Quinan offered the following resolution :

Resolved, by the Senate of the State of Texas, That we have learned with the deepest regret of the recent death of our late distinguished citizen, General Mirabeau B. Lamar; that we hold his memory in profoundest veneration because of his chivalrous character, his devoted patriotism and his eminent public services.

That we sincerely sympathize with his family in their deep grief and mingle our sorrows with theirs over their sad bereavement.

That in testimony of our respect to the memory of the deceased the members of the Senate wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

That a copy of these resolutions be communicated to the family of the deceased by the President of the Senate, which on motion of Mr. Potter were unanimously adopted.

On motion of Mr. Quinan, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, January 4, 1860.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Chaplain—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Erath presented the petition of John Williams, for money. Referred to the committee on Internal Improvement.

Mr. Gentry presented the petition of sundry citizens of Harris in reference to the creation of a new county.

Mr. Duggan presented the petition of J. D. Fly, corresponding

secretary of the Planters, Danologian Society of the county of Gonzales. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Pitts presented the petition of sundry citizens of Tyler county, asking the incorporation of the Mystic Club. Referred to committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Fall, chairman of the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following bills, correctly engrossed :

A bill to amend the 23d section of the General Law passed 14th December, 1837.

A joint resolution authorizing the Governor to appoint three suitable persons to examine the State Penitentiary.

A bill to validate the acknowledgment, and registration of deeds and other instruments of writing heretofore recorded.

A bill concerning property conveyed to and held in trust by the Bishop of the Catholic Church in Texas.

Mr. Throckmorton, from the committee on the Judiciary, made the following report :

The committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred a bill to define and regulate the times of holding the district courts in the several counties of the eighth judicial district, have considered the same, and have instructed the undersigned to report the bill back to the Senate and to recommend its passage.

Mr. Guinn, chairman of the committee on Claims and Accounts, made the following report :

The committee on Claims and Accounts, to whom was referred a bill for the relief of George W. King, have had the same under consideration, and a majority of them have instructed me to report a substitute for the bill, and recommend of the substitute and the passage of it. The original bill is for \$1,433 66, and the substitute is for \$1,288 00, \$1,000 00 in the bill is for a reward offered by E. M. Pease, in 1846, for the apprehension of a certain person named in the proclamation, the 288 00 is for interest on the sum of 2,400 00 for one year at 12 per cent. The party named in the proclamation was arrested in the month of February, 1859. The party claimed \$1,400, as money spent in tracing and hunting the party, this money was due as soon as the party was arrested, but from some informality in the vouchers, Mr. King did not get his claim from the State until a few days back. The Comptroller has construed the law of 1856, (February) that authorized the Governor to offer rewards, and issue proclamations in certain cases, that he could not pay the \$1,000 00. The party, Mr. King, alleges that the \$1,400, the money he actually expended in having the party arrested, that much of it he borrowed in 1856, and that \$1,000 00

was due him as well as the \$1,400 00, in February, 1859, and the majority think that it is just to pay him interest on the sum of \$2,400 00, as the Department have since acknowledged the sum of \$1,400, and as the reward of \$1,000 00 is just, and ought to have been paid in February, 1859.

Mr. Quinan, chairman of the committee on Education, to whom was referred a bill to incorporate the Masonic Female Institute, located at Prairie Lea, reported the same back to the Senate and recommended its passage.

Mr. Quinan, chairman of the committee on Education, to whom was referred the bill to incorporate the Guadalupe Male and Female College, reported the same back to the Senate and recommended its passage.

Mr. Gentry presented the petition of sundry citizens of Harris county. Referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Martin presented the petition of sundry citizens of Cass, Harrison, Upshur and Titus counties. Referred to the committee on County and County Boundaries.

Mr. Fall, chairman of the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported a bill to grant conditional privileges to the company carrying the overland mail through Texas, from St. Louis to San Francisco, correctly engrossed.

Mr. Shepard, chairman of the committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred a bill for preventing and punishing profaneness and immorality, and for keeping holy the Lord's Day—commonly called Sunday, reported the same back to the Senate, and recommend that it do not pass.

Mr. Shepard, chairman of the committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred a resolution, requiring them to enquire into the expediency of passing a bill to provide for the return of such property of the State, as might be furnished to the troops now in the field, or to such as may be hereafter called out, reported the same back with the request that it be referred to the committee on Military Affairs, as being the more appropriate committee for the consideration of such matters.

On motion of Mr. Guinn, the rule was suspended, the report taken up, and adopted.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had passed the following bills:

A bill for the relief of the heirs of David M. Shropshire, deceased.

A bill to pay certain persons for arresting John T. Shanks, and for procuring testimony against him.

A bill for the relief of Iredell Redding.

A bill granting a pension to Joseph E. Field.

Mr. Pitts introduced a bill to incorporate the Mystic Club.— Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Chambers introduced a bill for the relief of Ewing Clayton and his assignees. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

Mr. Hart offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the Senate, That the committee on Contingent Expenses be instructed to inform the Post Master, that they will not pay for the postage on any book, or single package weighing more than four ounces franked by any member of this body.— Laid over for one day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill to amend the 34th section of an act to regulate proceedings in the district courts passed May 13th, 1846. Read 3rd time and passed.

A bill amendatory of and supplemental to an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of New Braunfels, passed 11th May, 1846. Read 3rd time and passed.

The report of the committee on Claims and Accounts, on a bill for the relief of H. C. Lazenby. Read.

On motion of Mr. Potter, the report was laid on the table.— The bill was then passed to a 3rd reading by the following vote :

YEAS.—Messrs. Dickinson, Duggan, Erath, Gentry, Harman, Hyde, Potter, Quinan, Rainey, Scarborough, Schleicher, Shepard, Stockdale, Throckmorton and Townes—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Chambers, Fall, Grimes, Guinn, Hart, Lott, Martin, Rains, Sims, Walker, Wallace and Whaley.—12.

A message was received from the House of Representatives informing the Senate that the House had passed the following bills originating in the Senate :

A bill to amend the 4th section of the act of May 12, 1846, entitled an act to regulate the license and practice of attorneys and counsellors at law, with amendments.

A bill to incorporate the Pecos Bridge Company.

A bill to incorporate the Horse-Head crossing of the Pecos Bridge Company, and concur in the Senate's amendments to the following bills :

A bill to incorporate the Jefferson Insurance Company.

A bill to incorporate the Eastern Texas Railroad Company, and had adopted the report of the committee of Conference on a bill for the relief of Wiley Burns, the heirs of Robert M. McKinney, the heirs of Carmel Ramon, and the heirs of David Barlow, which is as follows :

The committee on Conference of the two houses, to whom was referred the accompanying bill for the relief of Wiley Burns, and others, recommend the following, to wit :

That the Senate concurs in the amendment of the house and that the words "the heirs of Carmel Ramon" be stricken out in the caption of the bill and the first section, and that the words "the widow and heirs of Manuel Ramon" be inserted therefor. And had passed the following bills :

A bill confirming certain patents, and to validate certain surveys in the Mississippi and Pacific Railroad Reservation.

A joint resolution authorizing the Governor, to procure the restoration to his parents of a certain boy, named Wm. Horster, who was stolen by the Indians.

A bill granting land to actual settlers.

A bill for the relief of E. G. Spencer and A. L. Cantwell, was ordered to be engrossed.

A bill to apportion the Senators and Representatives among the several counties of this State. Read 2nd time and on motion of Mr. Guinn, made the special order for Monday the 9th inst.

A joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to procure the restoration to his parents of a certain boy named Wm. Horster, who was stolen by the Indians. Read 1st time.

Mr. Grimes moved to refer to committee on Claims and Accounts. Lost.

On motion of Mr. Potter, the rule was suspended, bill read 2nd time.

Mr. Potter offered the following amendment strike out in the enacting clause, the word enacted, and insert resolved.—Adopted.

Mr. Potter moved to strike out \$500 and insert \$300 which was lost by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Chambers, Gentry, Grimes, Guinn, Hart, Lott, Parsons, Rains, Sims, Wallace and Whaley—11.

NAYS—Dickinson, Duggan, Erath, Fall, Harman, Herbert, Hyde, Martin, Pitts, Potter, Quinan, Rainey, Scarborough, Schleicher, Shepard, Stockdale, Throckmorton, Townes and Walker—19.

Mr. Potter moved to insert the word "dollars" after the words "five hundred." Adopted.

The bill was then passed to a 3rd reading.

And on motion of Mr. Duggan, the rule was suspended, bill read 3rd time and passed.

A bill for the relief of Caleb C. Dibble, on report of the committee on Private Land Claims, recommending an amendment. Read—amendment adopted, and bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Herbert, the rule was suspended, bill read 3rd time, and passed.

A bill for the relief of Nancy Robinson, on report of committee on Private Land Claims, offering an amendment. Read, the amendment adopted, and bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Duggan, the rule was suspended, bill read 3rd time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Wallace, the report of the committee on Claims and Accounts, on a bill for the relief of George W. King, was taken up—substitute adopted.

Mr. Sims moved to strike out 1280, and insert 1,000, which was lost by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Chambers, Dickinson, Grimes, Guinn, Harman, Hart, Herbert, Martin, Sims and Whaley—10.

NAYS—Messrs. Erath, Fall, Gentry, Lott, Parsons, Pitts, Potter, Quinan, Rains, Schleicher, Stockdale, Throckmorton, Townes, Walker and Wallace—15.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Wallace, the rule was suspended, bill read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to validate the acknowledgment and registration of deeds and other instruments of writing heretofore recorded.—Read 3rd time and passed.

A joint resolution authorizing the Governor to appoint three competent persons to examine the State Penitentiary. Read 3rd time and passed.

A bill concerning property conveyed to, and held in trust by the Bishop of the Catholic Church in Texas for charitable uses. Read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to grant conditional privileges to the company carrying the overland mail from St. Louis, and Memphis through Texas to San Francisco, and the company who have the contract for the overland mail to California from San Antonio to El Paso.—Read 3rd time.

Mr. Guinn offered the following amendment: Add to the 3rd section “no person shall have a donation under the provisions of this act unless he shall first swear that he is not an abolitionist or free soiler.

Mr. Guinn withdrew his amendment, and moved the indefinite postponement of the bill which was lost by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Chambers, Dickinson, Duggan, Grimes, Guinn, Harman, Herbert, Parsons and Whaley—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Erath, Fall, Gentry, Hart, Hyde, Lott, Martin, Pitts, Potter, Quinan, Rains, Rainey, Scarborough, Schleicher,

cher, Shepard, Sims, Stockdale, Throckmorton, Townes, Walker and Wallace—21.

Mr. Rainey then moved to make the bill the special order for Wednesday, the 11th inst., which was lost by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Chambers, Erath, Harman, Lott, Parsons, Rains, Rainey and Whaley—8.

NAYS—Messrs. Dickinson, Duggan, Fall, Gentry, Grimes, Guinn, Hart, Herbert, Hyde, Martin, Pitts, Potter, Quinan, Scarborough, Schleicher, Sims, Stockdale, Throckmorton, Townes, Walker and Wallace—21.

The vote was then taken on the passage of the bill, and was carried as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Fall, Gentry, Hart, Hyde, Martin, Potter, Quinan, Rainey, Scarborough, Schleicher Shepard, Sims, Stockdale, Throckmorton, Townes, Walker and Wallace—17.

NAYS.—Messrs. Chambers, Dickinson, Duggan, Erath, Grimes, Guinn, Harman, Herbert, Lott, Parsons, Pitts, Rains and Whaley—13.

On motion of Mr. Hart, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

THURSDAY, January 5th, 1860.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment—roll called—quorum present—the journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Schleicher presented the petition of sundry citizens of the counties of Blanco, Kerr and Bexar. Referred to the committee on County and County Boundaries.

Mr. Townes presented the petition of Shelly & Carrington. Referred to committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Grimes presented the petition of the heirs of J. G. W. Peirson. Referred to the committee on the Court of Claims. Also the petition of the heirs of A. E. Patton, which was referred to the same committee.

Mr. Potter, chairman of the committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill to incorporate the Southern Fire Insurance Company, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Fall, chairman of the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following bills correctly engrossed :

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Caldwell Carson.

A bill for the relief of Eli Spencer and A. L. Cantwell.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution.